Special Projects in CWP - Maluti a Phofung

White House Multipurpose Centre

The White House Multipurpose Centre is located in the Harrismith sub-site in the Intabazwe Township. This initiative aims to exhibit ways and means of how entrepreneurial skills and peoples' initiatives can be utilised to transform their lives by using available methods to sustain themselves or their family. The community can come into this place to learn how to start small and excel in what they do.

The White House projects are sustainable projects which provide income generating strategies and food security for participants and given sufficient time, this could improve into impacting the nearby community and individuals exposed to it. It has the challenge of the timeframe to equip and mentor the staff and entrepreneurs.



Projects in white house are as follows:

Construction group - Is responsible for renovation and to provide maximum security to the structure ensuring progress by maintenance of tools and utensils. The group fitted fascia boards and the ceiling of the house, undertook the plumbing and roof renovations, fitted the security burglar bars on windows and doors, installed a water harvesting mechanism, installed water storage tanks, constructed the nursery tunnel and made long tables for the bakery - the list is endless.



Bakery group - This group started immediately after the renovations were completed. The bakery provides 60% of breakfast fast foods to the surrounding community. At about 08h00 in the morning CWP participants and community and visitors to the clinic are queuing outside for fat-cakes, scones and buns. The bakery also provides the tuck shops with orders and individuals who desire special cakes throughout the day.



Food security group - This group works hard to provide nutritional food to the community and to most patients visiting the nearby clinic. The vegetable garden has been able to produce a variety of vegetables of which some are cooked and the rest dried and stored as (MUKUSA), encouraging participants and the community that whenever your harvest of vegetable is more than your consumption, you don't have to throw it away but rather preserve it the way our

ancestors did so that after many days or months you can still use it. To date participants are receiving vegetables and seedlings for the homestead gardens.



Sewing and knitting group - The White House has a sewing team which produces Home Based Care uniforms. The team will soon embark on special designing and sewing of traditional Sotho and Zulu wear. This will be a leap into the formation of a cooperative. The team has been producing the uniforms for more than a year now and also enlarge small sizes of CWP uniforms to fit larger participants. Part of the sewing team's activities is the knitting of Mandela blankets and hats and scarves for winter. Most of these items, including the Mandela blankets, were distributed to old age homes and ECDs during Mandela Day celebrations.



ABET School

The school started this year during the month of September with 38 participants who cannot read or wright.

The ABET classes are being conducted by a CWP participant who has a Higher Certificate in Adult Basic Education and Training, Ms. Nomoya Wielminah Buthelezi. She was selected through interviews conducted by the Maluti-A-Phofung Site Manager, Carl Maluleke.

She is very excited about the opportunity presented to her as she is gaining experience as a teacher. She believes that this programme is changing people's lives and she's honoured to be part of it. There are some participants who have never attended school at all; therefore it would be great if this programme can continue to offer Level 2.

During class







Two Roomed House

The Community Work Programme changed the life of an unemployed female single parent living with her two children in a one-room mud house. The condition of the house was very bad and the CWP donated building material and provided labour to build a two-room house. The house was completed and handed over to the family during the Mandela Day celebrations. The event was attended by the Chief, Ward counselor and PR counselor.

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BEFORE







DURING CONSTRUCTION







COMPLETED



Kestell site Office

The CWP has done renovations to two buildings in Kestell. The one was a municipal office opposite the police station in the location burned and vandalized by the community before 2009. The building is now used as a CWP sub site office. It also being extended to accommodate extra rooms for slow learners to be assisted with their home work by CWP participants and to provide after school care with a soup kitchen. The site has also been equipped with a vegetable garden and a nursery and seedling germination tunnel. Opposite the CWP office is the community hall which has also been renovated and is now used by the community and CWP for meetings and special gatherings.

During renovations









Disabled Home and Crèches

During 2015/2016 the Community Work Programme did renovations at Bophelong Centre of Hope, a home for the disabled and a crèche. The project is situated in Ward 16, Makeneng Cluster. Thanks to the dedicated CWP participants from ward 16 and technical support, the following work was successfully completed:

- Installation of a new roof and ceiling
- Fencing of the centre
- Installation of doors and windows
- Plastering and painting of the centre
- Installation of water storage tanks for water harvesting
- Construction of the nursery

On the 20th of July 2016 the renovations were officially handed over at Bophelong Centre of Hope in ward 16. This event was supposed to take place in the previous year as part of the Mandela Day celebrations, but it was postponed due to the unavailability of the Executive Mayor of Maluti-A-Phofung as he wanted to be part of the event. Mandela 67 Minutes blankets and toys were handed out to the disabled home and crèche.

BEFORE



DURING RENOVATIONS





FINISHING





AFTER RENOVATIONS





Health Services

In partnership with Right to Care, an organization that is the Lead Partner for the Department of Health Partnership for health service delivery, 12 participants were trained in Counseling and HIV Testing. With this technical skill, the participants have been deployed to assist in the local Primary Health Facilities in Harrismith and Tshiame where they assist with the HIV and TB screening. They conduct the counseling, finger pricking and testing as well as assist with the medication and the ART Adherence Clubs.

In Harrismith, the Health Team assists in an Old Age Home with services to the elderly where they conduct health talks, massages and physical exercise sessions. They also ensure adherence to medication by collecting their medication and assisting with regular checkups on the elderly people's consumption of medication.



